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Nakayama et al.
U.S. PATENT APPLICATION SERIAL NO. 09/828,634
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ENTITLED: "Composites Comprlsing Plant Material from
***Parthenium* spp. and Plastic"**

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Version of the Entire Set of Pending Claims Following Entry of the Enclosed
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FRANCIS S. NAKAYAMA ET AL.)	
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Composites Comprising Plant Material)	
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

The Honorable

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Sir:

This is responsive to the action of the Patent and Trademark Office dated October 23, 2002.

Instructions to amend the application, and a clean version of the rewritten, added, and/or canceled claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.121 (c)(1)(i) is included beginning on page 2 of this communication. A marked-up version of the rewritten, added, and/or canceled claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.121 (c)(1)(ii) is attached as Appendix I. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.121 (c)(3) as they would appear following entry of this amendment is attached as Appendix II.

The Amendment

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